

Two KY Tech schools participate in state DECA conference

KY Tech-Ohio Co. awarded
International Diamond Level Membership Award

Students from both KY Tech-Ohio Co. and KY Tech-Meade Co. area technology centers participated in a variety of competitive events during this year's 2011 state DECA Conference held March 6-8 at the Galt House Hotel in Louisville.

Marketing technology instructors Thomas Miller, KY Tech-Ohio Co. and Elissa M. Gagel, KY Tech-Meade Co. deserve a great deal of credit for equipping their respective students with the knowledge, skill and desire to excel in competition.

According to Miller, "our students gained networking and leadership skills that will lead them to expand their network and build on the business skills this conference provided them."

KY Tech – Ohio County Results

Among the many awards won by KY Tech-Ohio Co. DECA Chapter members, a couple stand out because members of the chapter pulled together to meet standards of excellence in membership growth and participation. KY Tech-Ohio Co. was honored by the International Career Development Conference National Committee with the-two highest awards for DECA membership - the Gold Membership Award and the International Diamond Level Membership Award.

"We are the only chapter this year in Kentucky DECA to be awarded the International Diamond Level Membership Award. It is the highest membership honor awarded by National DECA," said Miller. "This honor only goes to a few schools so we should be proud of our Ohio County DECA Eagles for working to achieve this goal. Our school will be recognized during the International CDC Conference."

At right: KY Tech-Ohio Co. DECA Chapter delegation.

Back Row (I to r): Dakota Bratcher, Joel Wright, James Hedge, Zachary Frizzell, Sean Huggins, and Josh Henry. Middle Row (I to r): Kathy Morris (chaperone), Zachary Mitchell, Ashley Wofford, Staci Miller, and Thomas Miller, DECA adviser. Front Row (I to r): Kami Compton, Kaitlynn Myers, Malloreah Reno, Hannah Mosgrove, Simone Brogie, Victoria Daugherty, and Jason Norris.



KY Tech – Ohio County Results State DECA Conference Awards

2011 DECA Outstanding Member Award *Victoria Daugherty*

Finance Operations Research Event, 2nd *JT Wright and Dakota Bratcher*

International Business Plan, 2nd *James Hedge, Jason Norris, and Zach Frizzell*

Business Services Research Event, 3rd Kami Compton

Business Services Research Event, 4th Josh Henry and Ashley Wofford

Advertising Campaign, 4th *Malloreah Reno and Kaitlynn Myers*

Entrepreneurship Participating Independent, 5th Sean Huggins

Business Law & Ethics Team Event, top 8 Simone Brogie and Hannah Mosgrove

Community Service Project, top 10

Victoria Daugherty, Zachary Mitchell, and Staci Miller



KY Tech-Ohio Co. DECA Chapter senior members. Back row, Sean Huggins. Front row (I to r): Kami Compton, Hannah Mosgrove, Victoria Daugherty, and Staci Miller.









Miller:

"This year has been an exceptional year for KY Tech-Ohio County DECA as we achieved goals that many thought would not be achievable by our chapter. I am very proud of my Bolt Action Team (officer team) because they worked diligently to make sure that these goals were achieved.

"My group of 16 who competed this year is diamond level all the way. Each of these DECA members really tried to learn the key leadership in life and also compete in some of the hardest DECA events.

"It is my wish for our DECA seniors to experience success as they become the leaders of tomorrow. We all look forward to next year's delegation and our new officer team, the 2011-2012 Elite Action Team."

KY Tech – Meade Co. ATC DECA



At left: KY Tech-Meade Co. ATC DECA delegation.

Elissa M. Gagel (third from left) is the KY Tech-Meade Co. ATC marketing education instructor and DECA advisor. She is also a former KY Tech-Meade Co. ATC marketing student.

Gagel:

"As a teacher and advisor, I am proud of how our DECA students performed this year in both the regional and state competitions. Their accomplishments speak to what they have learned, how they prepared and more importantly, what they will take with them beyond high school. We had several winners and I'm proud of their accomplishments as well as the professionalism they displayed. It's been a pleasure to see them advance in their skill development."

KY Tech – Meade Co. ATC DECA Results

Kentucky Entrepreneurship Functions - 1st
Katelyn Allen

Kentucky Advertising - 3rd
James Tate

Kentucky Retailing Concepts - 4th
Alisha Cross

Community Service Project - 4th Ashley Synor and Sarah Whelan

Principles of Hospitality - 5th Krysten Lanham

Financial Services Team - 5th
Holly Bennett and Lucas Hardesty

Principles of Finance - 6th Brandon McGeHee

Marketing Management - 6th Bryce Fentress



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